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1. THIS IS TO REPORT A DISTURBING DISCREPANCY IN IESC PRACTICE THAT DESERVES THE ATTENTION OF DEPARTMENT AND AID/W, WHICH FUNDS ABOUT HALF OF IESC PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES. WE BELIEVE POLICY QUESTIONS ARE INVOLVED AND THAT US CONTRIBUTION SHOULD GIVE US A VOICE IN HOW THEY ARE RESOLVED.

2. THE KEY FACTS CAN BE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS: A) IN LESOTHO, IESC CURRENTLY HAS TWO CONSULTANTS AT WORK (WELLBORN AND OSTENFELD IN AGRO-BUSINESS FOR PERIOD OF AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS AT NO REPEAT NO COST TO GOVERNMENT OF LESOTHO; B) IN BOTSWANA, IESC VICE PRESIDENT-AFRICA AUBRY AND VICE PRESIDENT HOPKINS INSERTED (AT THE LAST MINUTE) INTO PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH GOB REQUIREMENT THAT LATTER PAY P3,000 (\$3600) PER MONTH FOR SERVICES OF AN EXPERT (SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR). THIS DISPLEASED THE GOB AND DISCOURAGED IT FROM REQUESTING OTHER EXPERTISE,
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E.G., FOR INFORMATION SPECIALIST AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT, THAT IS MUCH NEEDED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

A) DOES THE US, DESPITE ITS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR IESC, RETAIN NO POLICY AUTHORITY THAT WOULD ENABLE US TO INFLUENCE IESC

DECISIONS IN THE DIRECTION OF ACHIEVING US NATIONAL OBJECTIVES?

B) DO WE CONDONE ARBITRARY DISCREPANCIES IN IESC POLICY
BETWEEN COUNTRIES?
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